

# The Punta Gorda Herald

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That splendid paper, the Bartow Courier-Informant, prints a picture of Gen. Gilchrist and ably champions his candidacy for the speakership.

Apparently the Times-Union and Citizen thinks that a catch of 800 barrels of mullet at Carrabelle beats a catch of 90,000 pounds at Punta Gorda. As a barrel of fish contains an average of 200 pounds, it will be seen that Punta Gorda is still ahead of all competitors.

The esteemed Sunterville Times errs in saying that no blame attaches to the young man who, while out hunting a fortnight ago, accidentally shot and killed our old friend Joe Bunn. Such hunting accidents are always the result of carelessness and are absolutely inexcusable.

The great and good daily Times-Union and Citizen of Jacksonville flatters a lot of us with the following compliment: "Florida has the brainiest lot of editors of weekly papers of any State in the Union, and they are all progressive and public-spirited. The rapid development of Florida is due largely to their efforts."

Gainesville Sun: The Bartow Courier-Informant is likely to have a libel suit to defend. The pretended likeness of General Albert Gilchrist published in its issue of Nov. 28, is libelous in the extreme. It no more resembles the handsome General than the devil does a saint, and retraction should be immediately forthcoming.

Palatka Times-Herald: The governor showed his usual political sagacity in the selection of those three superior court justices, for by taking them from Jacksonville, Tampa and Pensacola, no section was slighted. All in all William Sherman Jennings is one of the shrewdest politicians in Florida, and when he enters that senatorial race there will be something doing.

Florida's great and good daily, the Times-Union and Citizen, has reduced its subscription price to \$6.00 a year, \$3.00 for six months and \$1.50 for three months. This is in keeping with the spirit of progress that marks the course of our splendid metropolitan contemporary, and it should result in doubling its subscription list before the sound of Christmas bells is heard. No Floridian who wishes to keep informed as to what is going on in the world in general and in Florida in particular now has any excuse for neglecting to be a daily reader of the Times-Union and Citizen.

## A. C. L. MILLIONAIRE TRAIN FROM CHICAGO.

The Atlantic Coast Line is to have a "Millionaire train" between this city and Chicago, which will be as fine in equipment and as fast in time as the famous train by the same name running over the Atlantic Coast Line from New York to the Florida points.

The new train will be placed in service by the Eastern Illinois soon after the first of the year and will make the trip from Chicago to Jacksonville in thirty hours, instead of thirty-one as heretofore, and will reach Tampa with the same proportionate reduction of time with the new and fast schedule.

All the equipment to be used is to be new, and is now in course of construction by the Pullman company. Twenty-one sleepers, four baggage cars and four diners will be needed, and the cost will be between \$700,000 and \$1,000,000.

It is understood that it was partially through the efforts of the Atlantic Coast Line that the new service will be inaugurated on such a palatial scale. It is the desire of that company, which now owns the Louisville & Nashville, that the Chicago train and service should be as fine as that out of New York. The management of the Eastern Illinois was not backward in agreeing to assist in providing a solid vestibuled train of Pullman sleepers, as the travel to and from Chicago and intermediate points and Florida has greatly increased during the past three years. The Eastern Illinois is the only line giving a Florida service which runs a complete train out of Chicago, and the "Millionaire's train" will be the first in the Florida service out of Chicago to be made up of Pullman cars.

The route which the new train will follow from Chicago is: Eastern Illinois and Evansville and Terre Haute to Evansville; Louisville and Nashville to Atlanta; Central of Georgia to Albany; and Atlantic Coast Line to Tampa.

The train will consist of baggage car, diner and five sleepers when it leaves Chicago, and other cars will be picked up at various places along the line.—Tampa Herald.

## FISHING LAWS VIOLATED.

It is reported that the fishing laws are being openly violated along the East Coast and also at points on the Gulf coast north of Tampa. If this be true, and it seems that it is, then it may be remarked that Governor Jennings is likely to stir up some county officials with that sharp stick which he knows how to use so well, and every right-thinking citizen will approve of his doing so.

There is no use in having laws unless we enforce them; no sense in electing and paying officials to execute the laws unless they attend to that duty.

To permit fishermen in one quarter of the State to violate the laws while in other sections they are held to a strict obedience, as here at Punta Gorda, is an injustice to the law-abiding. Fishermen here are complying fully with the requirements of the laws, and are holding their forces together at great expense to await the reopening of the season on January 1st. While they are thus proving their good citizenship, their competitors elsewhere are going right along in flagrant disregard of the laws, and reaping the advantage of the high prices resulting from the big shipments from Punta Gorda being stopped and the consequent scarcity of fish in the markets.

Here is where the injustice comes in, and Punta Gorda fishermen have a right to complain of it. Indeed, all citizens who wish to see the fish supply maintained would be justified in protesting against the conduct of those rapacious fishermen who are violating the laws, and the tacit permission given them to do so by officials sworn to execute the laws.

We trust it is only necessary to call attention to this matter to secure an immediate cessation of illegal fishing.

People of the United States, let us pray! Congress is in session.

## NEW RAILROAD SCHEDULE.

Additional Service Inaugurated Sunday.

On Sunday last, an additional passenger train was put on the Lakeland and Punta Gorda section of the Atlantic Coast Line and a new and convenient schedule adopted.

Train 78 runs through to Tampa, leaving here at 7 a. m., reaching Lakeland at 10:30 and Tampa at 12:10. Returning as No. 28, it leaves Tampa at 4 p. m. and arrives here at 9:30.

Train 82 leaves here at 4 p. m. and runs through to Jacksonville. Returning as No. 21, it arrives here at 11 a. m.

Both trains carry mails as well as passengers and furnish a service that gives great and general satisfaction throughout this region.

## A WHOLE SHOW IN HIMSELF.

Speaking of Mr. Douglas Leftwich, who is to give us the second Lyceum entertainment in the school house tomorrow night, the Charlotte, N. C., Observer says: "The entertainment given last night by Mr. L. D. Leftwich was one of the most delightfully enjoyed in our city since Mr. Leftwich was here last winter. He has what artists call temperament. He sings with soul as well as volume. His voice is soft as well as low at times, and again, rich, full and powerful. Mr. Leftwich's face expresses the sentiment of his songs, and is as interesting to watch as he is delightful to hear. He recites as well as he sings and he delighted and convulsed the audience with his darkey dialect stories. He is a whole show in himself."

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East Punta Gorda continues to build rapidly. Besides the residences of Messrs. N. C. Hewitt and Geo. T. Brown recently erected there, Messrs. Tattall, Freeman, E. A. White and Joe C. Whittaker have bought lots out there and will soon build homes on them.

In thinking of your Xmas presents don't forget our line of jewelry. All good material. J. R. ELLIOTT's

Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Dewey returned from Savannah, Monday morning and have since been busy receiving the greetings of their many friends. Mr. Dewey is out on crutches, looking thin, but is in good physical condition. He takes the loss of his leg very cheerfully and is as genial and lively as if he had not met with a serious misfortune.

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## MANY HOUSES BEING BUILT.

From present indications, Punta Gorda will soon be supplied with plenty of cozy cottages to rent. Mr. L. T. Blockson is building two, Mrs. Stetson and Mrs. Cushing one each on their lots on Retta Esplanade in the western part of town; Mr. J. M. Morgan is putting up three in front of the Baptist church on Cross street; Mr. Crouch one on Marian avenue west, and Mr. D. H. Huckleby has just finished his fourth cottage.

Contractor Stephenson will build a home on the corner lot south of the Presbyterian church, which he recently bought from Col. H. J. Spence. He has the lumber on the ground for a work shop.

Col. Robert Holloway will soon begin the erection of an elegant residence on his lots adjoining Col. Pepper's home on Retta Esplanade.

Col. J. H. Hancock, one of Fort Ogden's able lawyers, has bought several lots on Taylor street and is negotiating with contractors to build two or three houses. It is reported that County Treasurer Parker will soon begin the erection of six or more cottages on his lots here, and so will Maj. W. G. Welles, the sawmill prince of Nocatee, who owns valuable lots in some of the best locations in town.

Tax Assessor Frank Cooper, having recently married, is put in the list of those intending to build, while Hon. Geo. W. McLane has just completed a large boarding house in the West End and Mrs. Quednau has just built a nice cottage in the same vicinity. Three or four little houses of three to five rooms each have recently been put up near the big ice factory; and in almost any direction one looks, new buildings are going up.

First thing we know, Punta Gorda will be a city, and we won't have any water system, electric lights, street cars or public hall as a city should have. We had better be getting a move on us in these matters.

Great goodness! What's the matter with Brother Carter of the Jacksonville Metropolis? He has only recently married a charming wife, and yet we find the following in his excellent paper of December 1st: "Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me." Romans, xv, 30.

## BUSINESS NOTICES.

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The Episcopal women's guild will meet at Mrs. Francis K. Adams, on Marian avenue, next Wednesday, p. m. from 4 to 5:30 o'clock. Refreshments 10 cents.

## NOTICE.

The Fourth Quarterly Conference for the Punta Gorda and Charlotte Harbor charge will be held at the Methodist church on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 6th and 7th. Rev. A. E. Householder, P. E. will be present and conduct the services, which will be as follows:

Saturday 12 a. m. Preaching.

Saturday 2:30 p. m. Quarterly Conference session.

Saturday 7 p. m. Preaching.

On the Sabbath there will be the regular services at the usual hours. At the morning service the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered, also the ordinance of Infant Baptism. Let every member of the church attend these services. The public is cordially invited.

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